

Victorious VPD Nothing to "Whoop" About!

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Topics/Objectives

- Notable VPD outbreaks
- Influenza Surveillance
- LTCF Toolkit
- Evaluation of College Immunization Practices
- Adolescent, kindergarten, 24 months immunization coverage assessments
- Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program



Statewide Pertussis Outbreak 2012

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Pertussis

- Highly communicable bacterial disease found in the mouths, noses and throats of infected people
- Transmission
 - Direct contact with discharges from respiratory mucous membranes of infected persons
- Signs/Symptoms
 - Cough lasting ≥ 14 days
 - Paroxysmal spasms of severe coughing
 - Whoop
 - Post-tussive vomiting



Pertussis Surveillance and Reporting

- Nationally notifiable
- Clinical case definition
 - Cough ≥2 weeks AND
 - At least one of the following:
 - paroxysms, whoop, post-tussive vomiting
- Probable case
 - Meets clinical case definition
 - Not laboratory confirmed
 - Not epidemiologically linked to a lab confirmed case
- Confirmed case
 - Culture positive OR
 - Clinical case and PCR positive OR
 - Clinical case and epi-linked to confirmed case

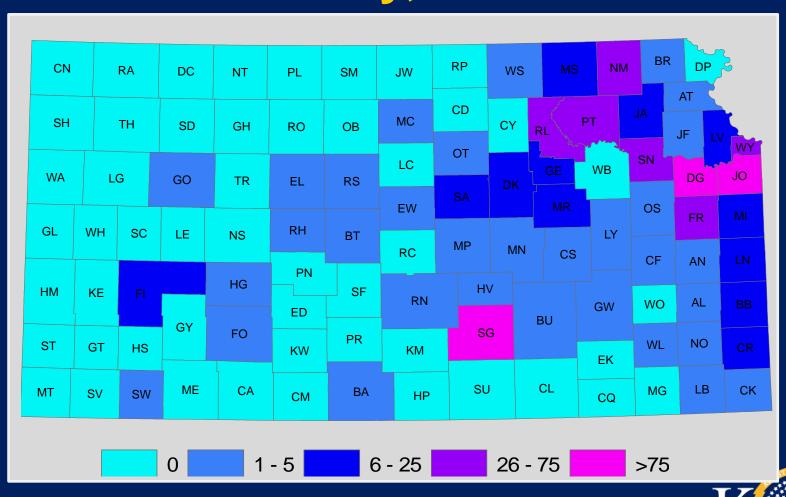


Pertussis Cases in Kansas - 2012

- 887 cases reported in 53 counties
 - 449 (50.6%) Confirmed
 - 438 (49.4%) Probable
- 37 (4%) were hospitalized
 - Median Age: 1 year (Range 5 days 81 years)
 - 16 (43%) were less than 6 months
 - 5 (14%) were less than 2 months
- 1 death in an adult

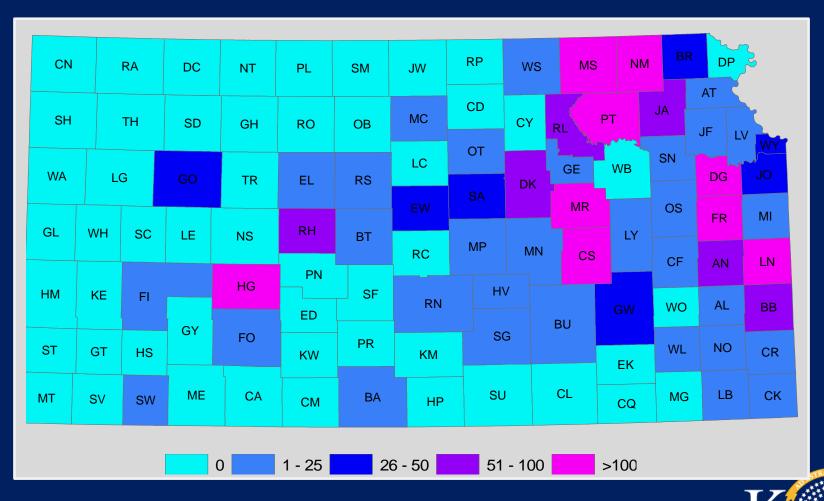


Number of Cases of Pertussis by County, 2012



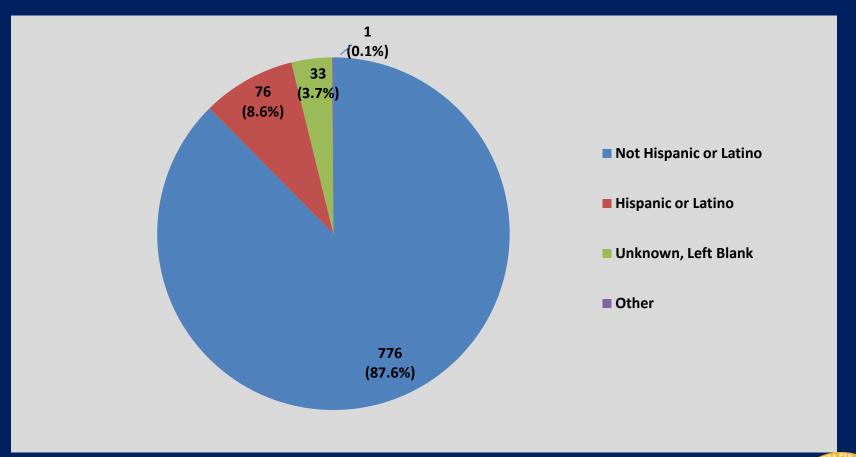
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Incidence of Pertussis per 100,000 Population by County, 2012



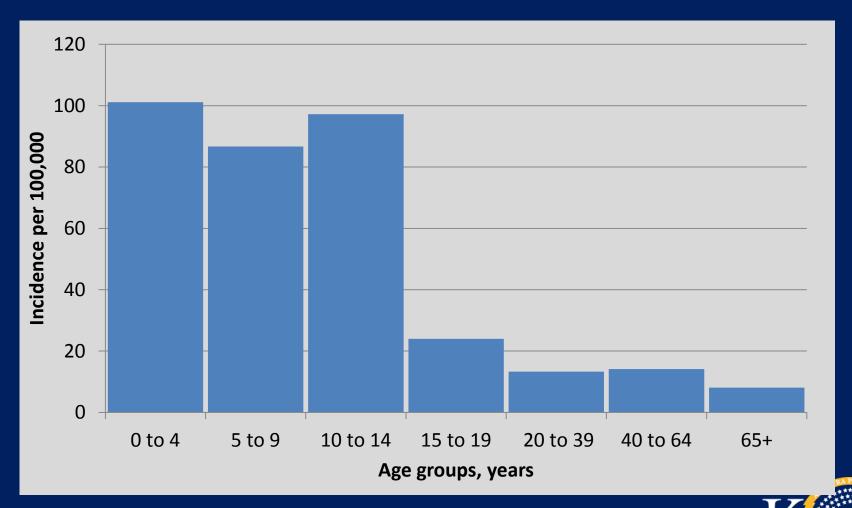
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Confirmed and Probable Pertussis Cases by Race, 2012

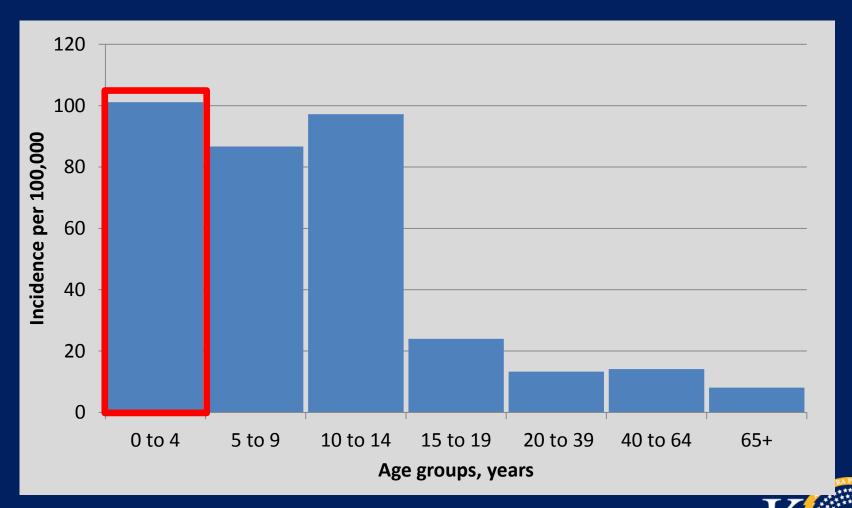




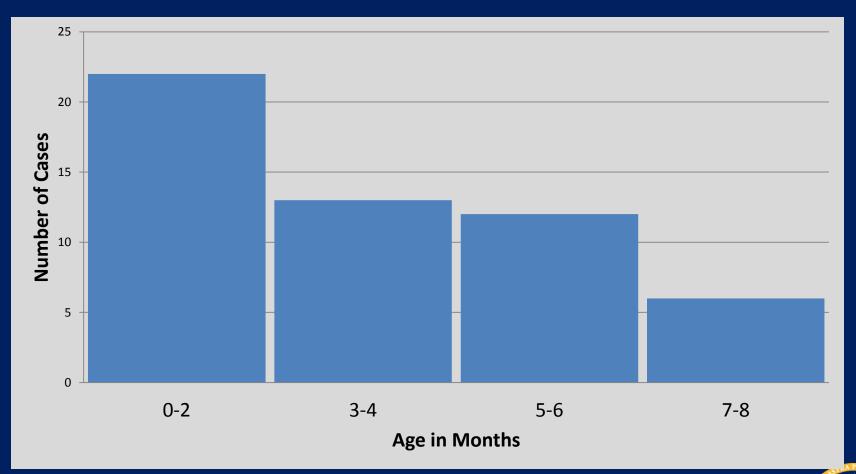
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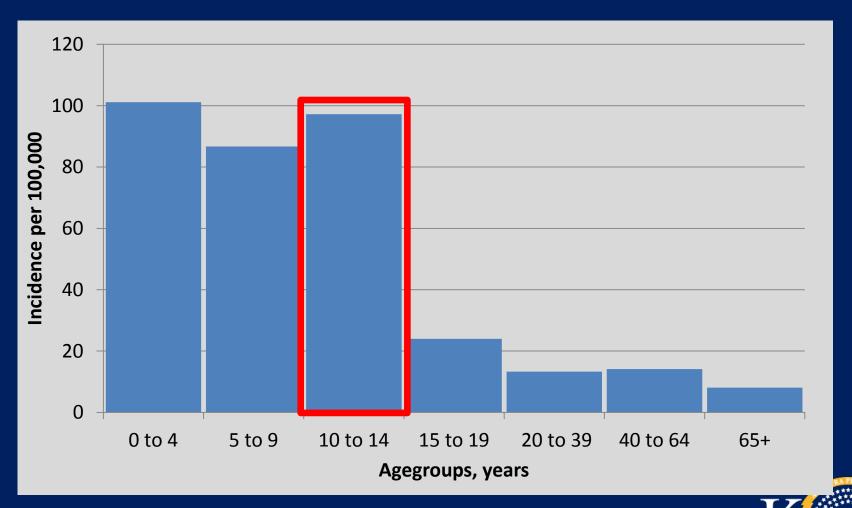


Number of Cases of Pertussis by Age in Months, 2012

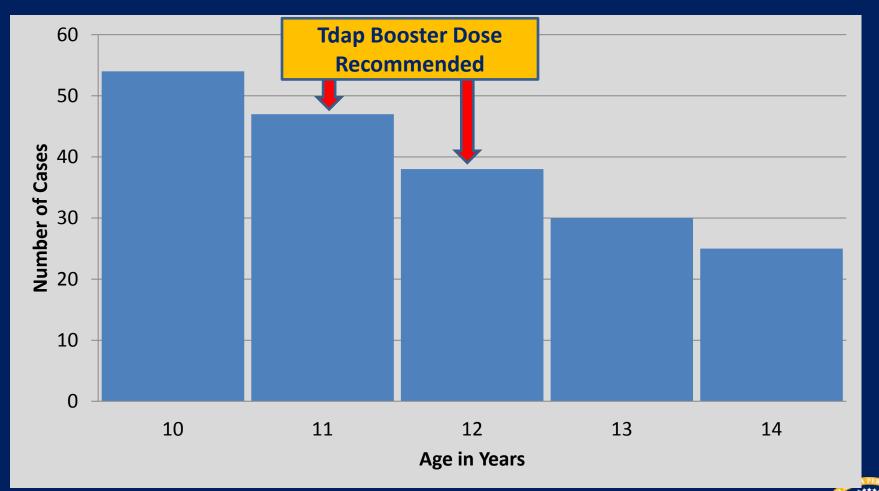




Incidence of Pertussis by Age group, 2012



Number of Pertussis Cases for Adolescents, 2012



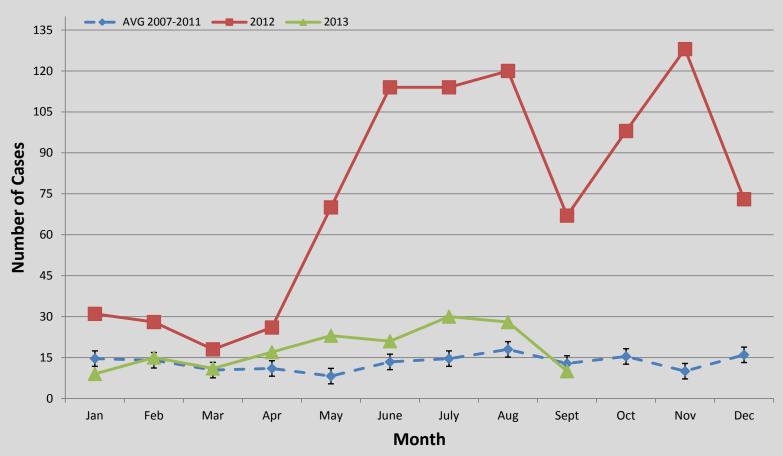


Pertussis – Unvaccinated Cases

Age Group (yrs)	% of Unvaccinated Cases						
0 to 4	15.7%						
5 to 9	5.7%						
10 to 19	2.1%						
20 to 49	12.3%						
50 to 74	20.7%						
75+	25%						



Confirmed and Probable Cases by Month (Based off MMWR Year)





Best Practices for Pertussis Testing

- Only test patients with symptoms of pertussis
- Asymptomatic close contacts should not be tested
- Only test patients during the first 3 weeks of cough when bacterial DNA is still present
- Do not test patients who have had >5 days of antibiotics
- Serology has limited usefulness in diagnosing pertussis and cannot be used as laboratory confirmation for surveillance purposes

Conclusion

- Most counties in the Eastern part of the state were affected
- Most pertussis reported in children younger than
 15
- As infants received their doses of DTap at 2, 4, and 6 months the number of pertussis cases decreased
- As adolescents reach 11 and 12 years of age when Tdap is recommended the number of pertussis cases also decreased
- As of January 2013 pertussis cases have returned to baseline levels

Varicella Outbreak Associated with Unvaccinated Children

Amie Worthington, Medical Investigator



Varicella (Chicken Pox)

- Highly contagious respiratory disease
- Spread by direct person-toperson contact from infected respiratory tract secretions
- Also may occur by respiratory contact with airborne droplets
- Vaccine preventable





Varicella Outbreak

April 2013, the Pottawatomie County Health
Department notified the Kansas Department of Health
and Environment (KDHE) of <u>six</u> cases of varicella
within one household



Varicella Outbreak

- Additional cases were identified and epi-linked to a church the ill family attended
- An outbreak investigation was initiated with the local health departments
 - Ill children were excluded from school for six days after rash onset or until the rash lesions were crusted
 - Susceptible contacts were either vaccinated within 24 hours or excluded for 21 days after the onset of the last reported illness
- Outbreak of varicella five or more cases in a specific setting that are epi-linked

Methods

- Reported cases of varicella were interviewed to assess:
 - Onset date
 - Transmission setting
 - Severity of rash
 - Vaccination status
- Contacts were identified to assess vaccination status

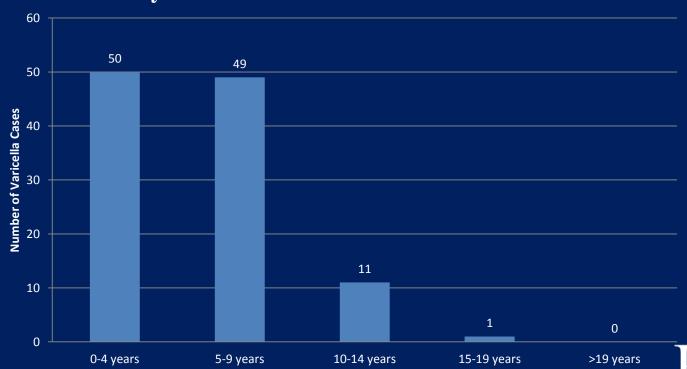


Results



Number and Age Range of Cases

- 111 cases identified
 - Ages range from less than one year to 15 years of age
 - Median 5 years

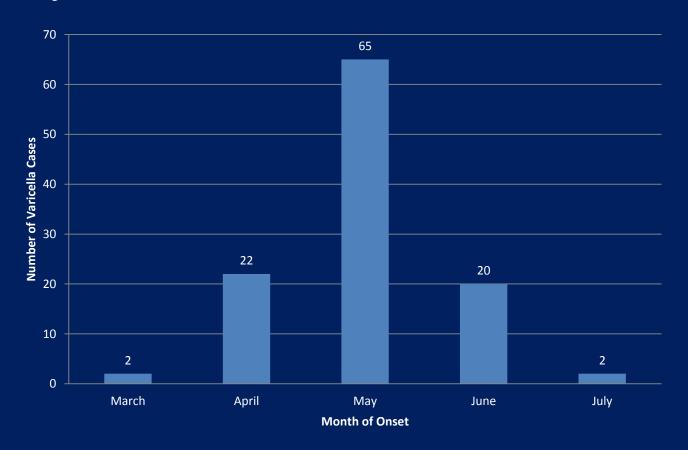


Age Group

and Environment

Month of Onset Illness by Number of Cases

• Onset of illness ranged from March 26, 2013 to July 18, 2013.





County of Residence

- Cases were identified from 4 counties
 - Pottawatomie 73 (66%)
 - Wabaunsee 22 (20%)
 - Shawnee 11 (0.1%)
 - Jackson 5 (0.05%)
- 56 cases were associated with a school

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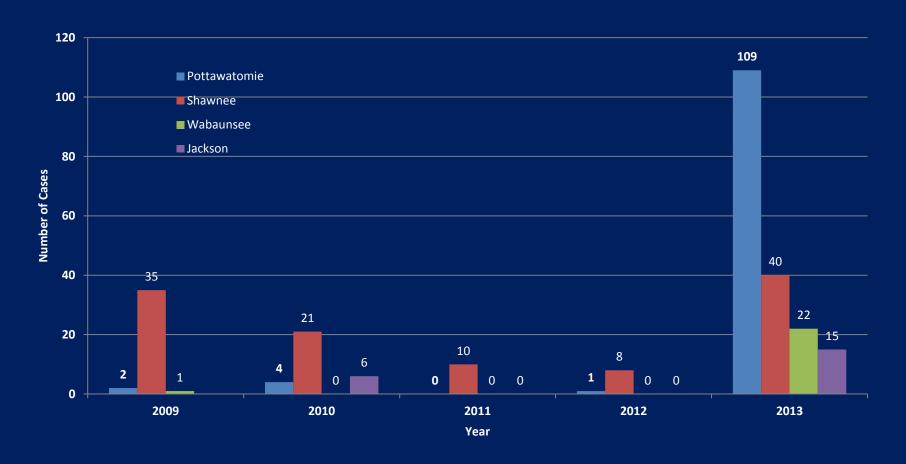


Vaccination Status

- 103 (93%) of 111 cases were unvaccinated
 - 91 parents either reported refusing vaccine or claimed religious exemption
 - 7 were too young to be vaccinated
 - 3 reported history of disease
 - 2 had unknown vaccination status



Varicella Cases by Year





Conclusions

- One of the largest varicella outbreaks KDHE has investigated
- Low estimate of actual cases
- Difficult to control
- Most cases under the age of 10
- Highly unvaccinated community



Questions





Influenza Surveillance Update

Amie Worthington, Influenza Surveillance Coordinator



Objectives

- Describe influenza surveillance in Kansas.
- Discuss the quadrivalent and vaccines produced via non-egg based technologies.



Influenza Surveillance

Haemophilus influenza, invasive disease

Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome

Hemolytic uremic syndrome, postdiarrheal

Hepatitis, viral (acute and chronic)

Hepatitis B during pregnancy

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) (includes Viral

Load Tests)

Influenza deaths in children <18 years of age

Legionellosis

Leprosy (Hansen disease)

Listeriosis

Lyme disease

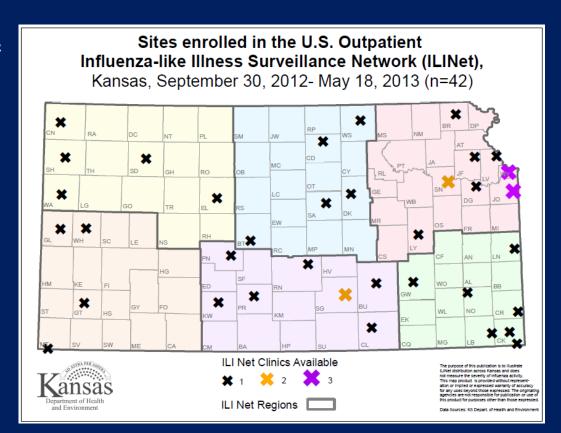
Malaria

Outbreaks, unusual occurrence of any disease, exotic or newly recognized diseases, and suspect acts of terrorism should be reported within 4 hours by telephone to the Epidemiology Hotline: 877-427-7317



ILINet

- Tracks Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) in participating outpatient settings
- ILI Definition: Fever (>100°F) **AND** cough and/or sore throat



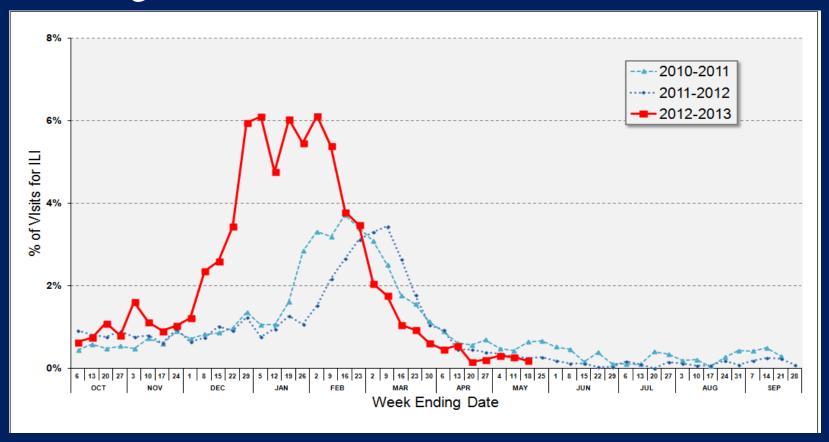


- Sites report weekly
- Reports include ILI cases and total number of patients seen

Number of Patients with ILI	
0-4 years	
5-24 years	Influenza-like Illness Fever (≥100° F [37.8° C], oral or equivalent) -AND-
25-49 years	cough and/or sore throat (in the absence of a known cause other than influenza)
50-64 years	Note: There is no requirement for a positive influenza test (i.e. rapid antigen test) when determining
>64 years	the number of patients with ILI.
Total Number of Patients Seen For Any Reason	
(Total of ILI + Non-ILI cases for all age groups combined)	
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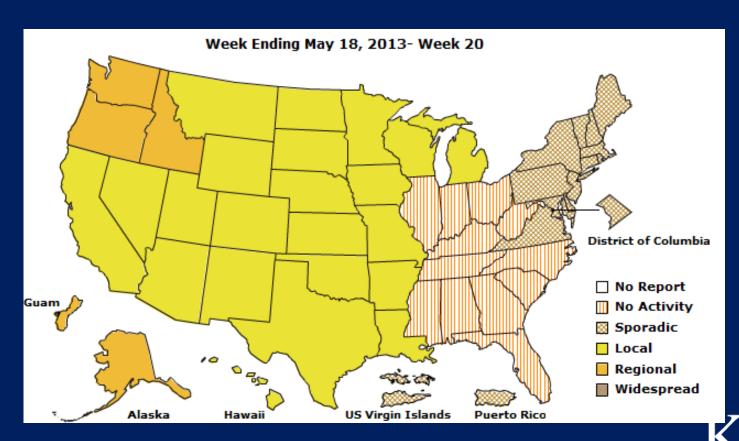


Percentage of visits for influenza-like illness

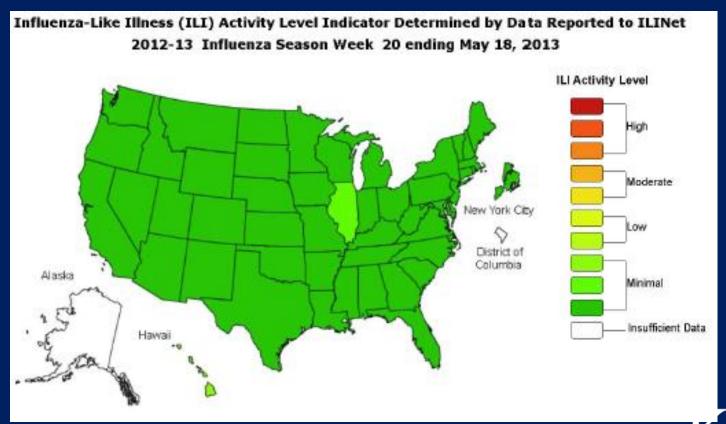




- Kansas reports data to CDC
- Geographic spread of reported ILI

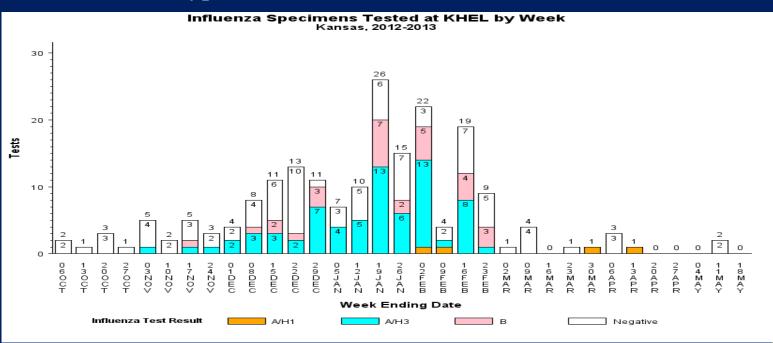


- Kansas reports data to CDC
- Intensity map of reported ILI



Laboratory Surveillance

- ILINet sites submit 1 specimen per week to the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL)
 - NP or Nasal
 - KHEL performs PCR testing
 - Determines Type (A/H1, A/H3, or B)



Laboratory Surveillance

- PCR negative specimens were tested with the Luminex assay
- The Luminex assay can probe for 12 viral targets per specimen:
 - Influenza A
 - Influenza A, Subtype H1
 - Influenza A, Subtype H3
 - •Influenza B
 - Respiratory Syncytial

Virus, Subtype A

Respiratory SyncytialVirus, Subtype B

Parainfluenza 1

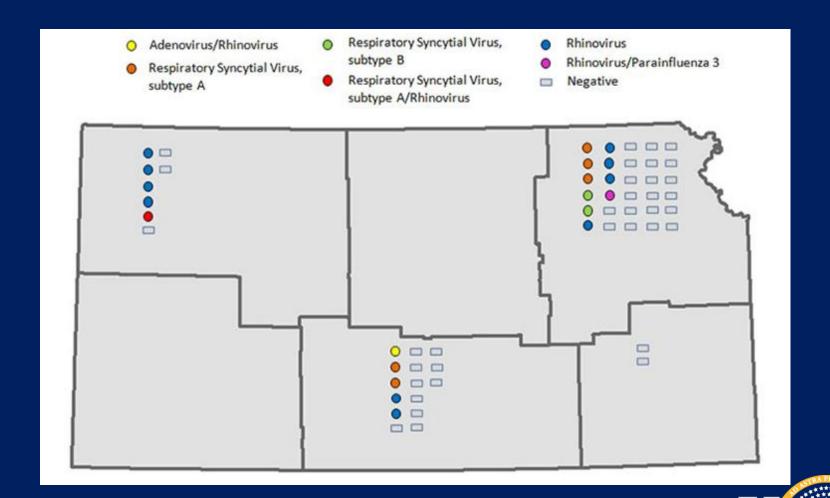
- Parainfluenza 2
- Parainfluenza 3
- •Human

Metapneumovirus

- Rhinovirus
- Adenovirus



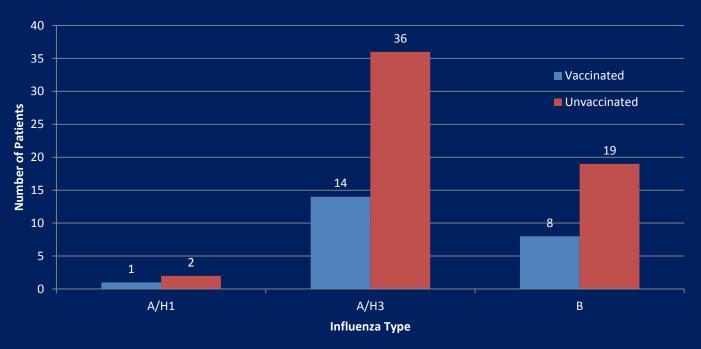
Laboratory Surveillance



Department of Health and Environment

2012-2013 Vaccine Effectiveness

• 23 of 80 patients with known vaccination status were vaccinated and tested positive for influenza





2013-2014 Influenza Vaccine

- Trivalent vaccine influenza virus:
 - A/California/7/2009 (H1N1)pdm-09-like virus;
 - A/Victoria/361/2001 (H3N2)-like virus;
 - B/Massachusetts/2/2012-like virus.
- Quadrivalent vaccine includes additional B virus:
 - B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus.



Vaccines Produced via Non-Egg Based Technologies

- A trivalent influenza vaccine approved by the FDA for use in adults ages 18 to 49
- Does not use the influenza virus or chicken eggs in its manufacturing process



Questions





Immunization Toolkit: Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccination of Residents in Long-Term Care Facilities (LTCFs)

Chelsea Raybern, Epidemiologist



Objectives

Describe reasons for developing toolkit

Discuss contents of toolkit

• Discuss timeline of development



Influenza - Epidemiology

- Flu season occurs early as October to late as May
- Affects 5-20% U.S. population, affects more than 50% of individuals in closed communities
- >200,000 people hospitalized for flu-related complications annually
 - More than 60% occur in persons 65 years and older
- From 1976-2006, # of deaths ranged from 3,000 to 49,000
 - Approximately 90% occur in persons 65 years and older



Influenza – Vaccine Effectiveness

- Vaccine has shown to be:
 - 50-60% effective in preventing flu-related hospitalizations
 - 80% effective in preventing flu-related deaths
- Vaccine prevented 77% of hospitalizations in adults ≥50 years of age during 2011-2012 flu season



Pneumococcal Disease - Epidemiology

- Occurs year round
- Kills more people in U.S. than all other vaccinepreventable diseases (VPD) combined and highest mortality occurs among elderly and people with underlying medical conditions



Pneumococcal Disease - Epidemiology

- Causes severe infections:
 - Pneumonia more than 900,000 cases annually; 400,000 hospitalizations, 5-7% result in death
 - Bacteremia more than 12,000 cases annually; 15% result in death
 - Meningitis roughly 3,000 cases annually; 10% result in death
- Adults account for 95% of pneumococcal deaths in U.S.



Pneumococcal Disease – Vaccine Effectiveness

 Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23) has shown to be 50-80% effective in preventing invasive pneumococcal infection in immunocompetent elderly persons and adults with underlying conditions



LTCF Resident Coverage Levels in Kansas

- Influenza (2011-2012, 2012-2013 flu seasons)
 - Kansas average 76%
 - National average 78%
 - Healthy People 2020 (HP2020) objective 90%
- Pneumococcal (October 2011 March 2013)
 - Kansas average 82%
 - National average 76%
 - HP2 $\overline{020}$ objective $\overline{-90\%}$



Facility Level Coverage – 2011

- Influenza
 - 170 (69%) of 248 facilities had <90% coverage
- Pneumococcal
 - 164 (64%) of 255 facilities had <90% coverage



Toolkit Contents

- Flu and pneumococcal disease information
- Myth/fact sheets
- Vaccine information statements (VIS)
- Vaccination uptake paper tracking methods
- Model language for resident consent and declination forms
- Model language for standing orders on vaccination of residents
- Outbreak control



Delivery and Implementation

Provide printed and electronic toolkits

Implement this flu season

 Getting the word out through Kansas Health Care Association and Leading Age Kansas



Vaccination Coverage Assessments

Chelsea Raybern, Epidemiologist Elizabeth Lawlor, Advanced Epidemiologist



ADULT: FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Full report can be found at: http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/College_Report_2013.pdf



Background

 Objective: to determine current VPD immunization requirements of four-year colleges and universities in Kansas

• Kansas has no law regarding immunization requirements for colleges and universities

- Kansas Board of Regents Mandate
 - "Effective at the start of the 2006-07 academic year, each state university shall have in place policies and procedures requiring that all incoming students residing in student housing be vaccinated for meningitis. Such policies shall include appropriate waiver procedures for those who refuse to take the vaccine."

Methods

- Collected list of four-year colleges/universities
 - Excluded specialized schools and satellite schools
- Survey developed and administered via telephone
 - Nine questions regarding existence of policy, immunizations included in policy, immunizations offered by school, etc.
 - Administered to student health services representative OR individual most knowledgeable about immunization policies
- Descriptive analysis using SAS® 9.3



RESULTS



Four-Year Colleges and Universities with Immunization Policy

Kansas four-year colleges/universities 25

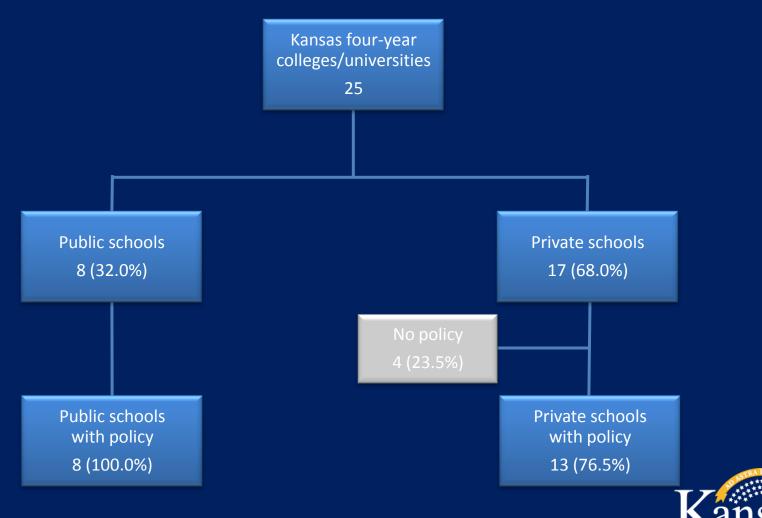


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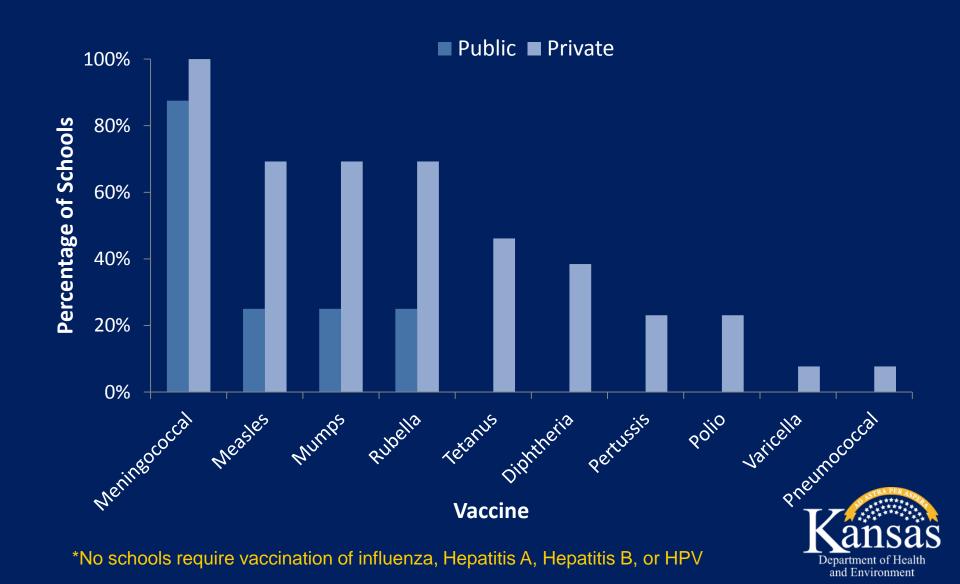




Four-Year Colleges and Universities with Immunization Policy



Immunizations Required by Four-Year Colleges and Universities in Kansas*



Time Frame for Compliance

Public universities

- 8 public schools with immunization policy
 - 6 (75.0%) require students to be compliant before starting school (when applying to school, before registering for classes, and before moving into on-campus housing)

Private colleges/universities

- 13 private schools with immunization policy
 - 5 (38.5%) require students to be compliant before starting school (when applying to school, before registering for classes, and before moving into on-campus housing)

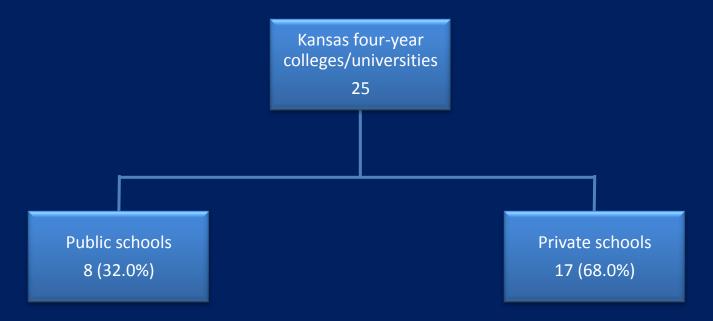


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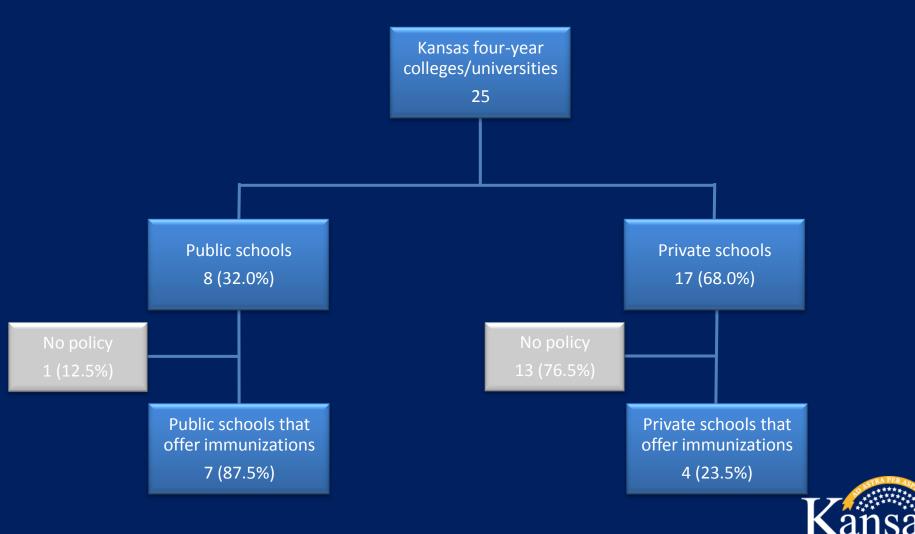


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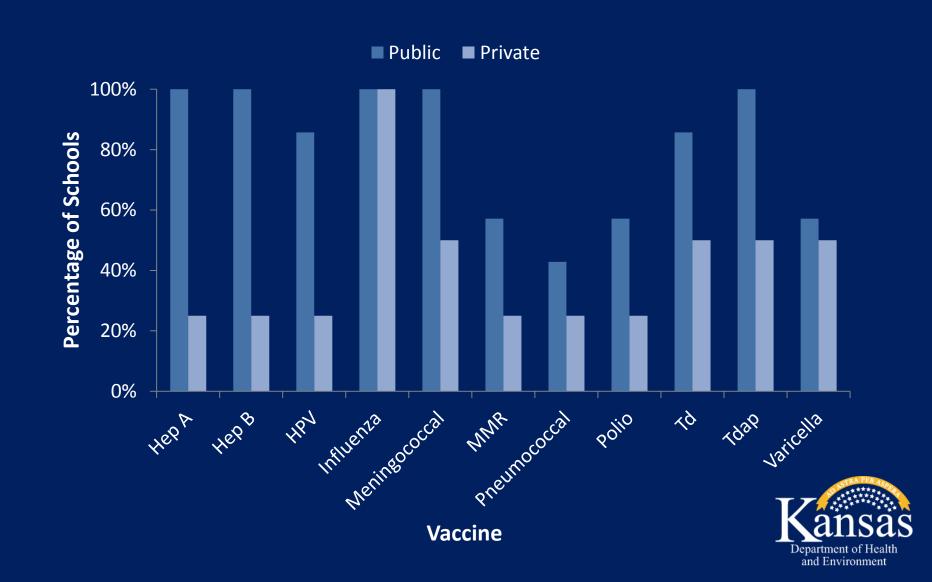




Four-Year Colleges and Universities that Offer Immunizations



Immunizations Offered by Four-Year Colleges and Universities in Kansas



Survey Limitations

Validity of survey responses unknown

• Up-to-date status requirements of students unknown

• Only assessed immunization requirements of fouryear college and university main campuses



CONCLUSIONS



Overall

- >80% of four-year colleges/universities in Kansas have immunization policy
- ~50% require immunization against more than one VPD
- ~50% require compliance before starting school
- More institutions do not offer immunizations than those that do



Public vs. Private

- Larger proportion of public institutions have immunization requirement
- Larger proportion of private require immunization against multiple diseases
- Larger proportion of public require compliance before start of school
- Larger proportion of public offer immunizations to students



ADOLESCENT: 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS



Background

• Objective: evaluate 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students in Kansas that are up-to-date on required and recommended vaccinations

- Immunization goals for adolescents by 13-15 years of age HP2020:
 - 80% coverage for 1 Tdap dose
 - 90% coverage for 2 varicella doses (exclude those with disease history)
 - 80% coverage for 1 meningococcal conjugate dose
 - 80% coverage for 3 human papillomavirus (HPV) doses



Background

Kansas required vaccinations:

6th grade

 Single dose of varicella (or history of disease)

7th grade

- Two doses of varicella (or history of disease)
- Single dose of Tdap

8th grade

- Two doses of varicella (or history of disease)
- Single dose of Tdap

- Recommended vaccines:
 - Initial dose of MCV4 for 11 to 12 year-olds
 - Three doses of HPV for 11 to 12 year-olds



Methods

- Survey sent to all schools with 6th, 7th, and/or 8th grades
 - Number of students with up-to-date immunizations
 - Number of students with exemptions
 - *If school used WebIZ, they did not have to complete survey
- Sample of schools with 6th, 7th, and/or 8th grades to validate schools responses
- Analysis using SAS® 9.3



RESULTS



6th,7th, and 8th Grade Schools in Kansas



Schools that responded 499 of 588 (85%)



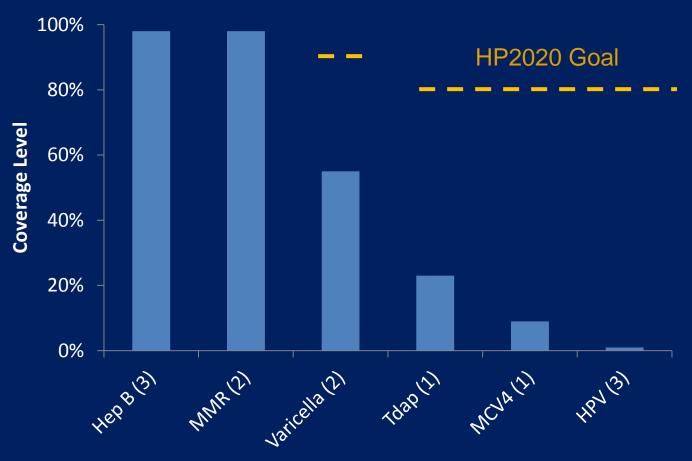
Schools that responded 421 of 507 (83%)



Schools that responded 417 of 496 (84%)



6th Grade Up-to-Date



Vaccine



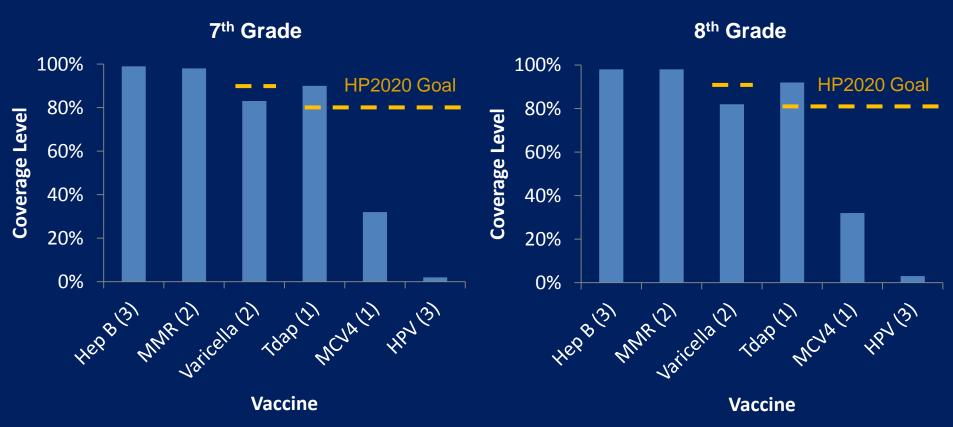
6th Grade Exemptions

Total number of exemptions: 315 (1%)

Medical **Exemptions** 21% Religious **Exemptions 79%**



7th and 8th Grade Up-to-Date





7th and 8th Grade Exemptions

7th Grade
Total number of exemptions: 497 (1%)

Medical Exemptions 24%

Religious Exemptions 76%

8th Grade
Total number of exemptions: 439 (1%)

Medical Exemptions 26%

Religious Exemptions 74%



Study Limitations

- Validity of responses are unknown
 - Validation not complete at this time
- Immunizations not required for school may not be recorded on immunization document

WebIZ data extraction may not be complete

- Variability in school responses
 - Varicella (1 dose)
 - Exemptions



Conclusions

- 6th Grade
 - No HP2020 goals met
 - Exemptions account for 1% of enrollment
- 7th and 8th Grades
 - Tdap meets HP2020 goal of 80%
 - Exemptions account for 1% of each enrollment
- MCV4 and HPV have lowest coverage levels for all three grades

CHILDREN: KINDERGARTEN AND 24-MONTH-OLD ASSESSMENTS



Background

- Long-standing study performed by KDHE
- Objective: evaluate immunization coverage levels for Kansas children
- Immunization Goals Healthy People 2020 (HP2020) for kindergarten, HP2010 for 19-35 month olds
 - ≥95% coverage for kindergarten immunizations (DTaP5, Polio4, MMR2, HepB3, Var2)
 - ≥90% coverage for 19-35 month old immunizations (DTaP4, Polio3, MMR1, Hib3, HepB3, Var1)
 - ≥80% coverage for complete 4-3-1-3-3 series at 19-35 month old



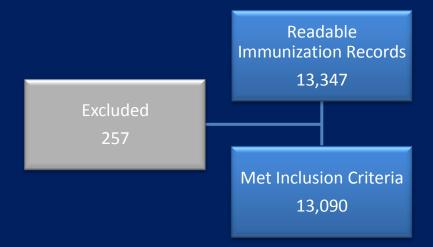
Methods

- Letter sent to all schools with a kindergarten class
 - Specifies how to select immunization records
 - KCIs or other immunization documents
 - KS-WebIZ
- Data entry of all immunization records received by KDHE (~15,000 annually)
- Analysis
 - Retrospectively 24 months of age
 - Kindergarten entry



Study Inclusion

- Inclusion Criteria:
 - Between the ages of 5 and 7 at school entry

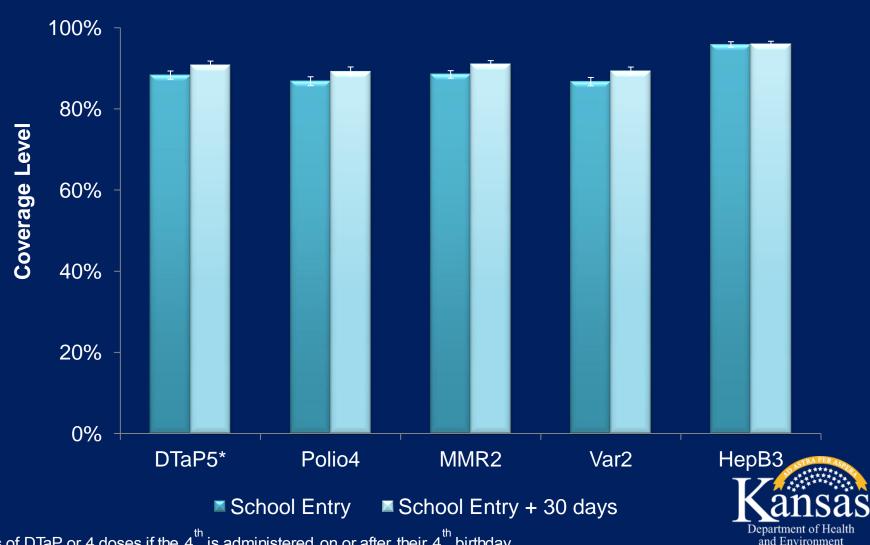




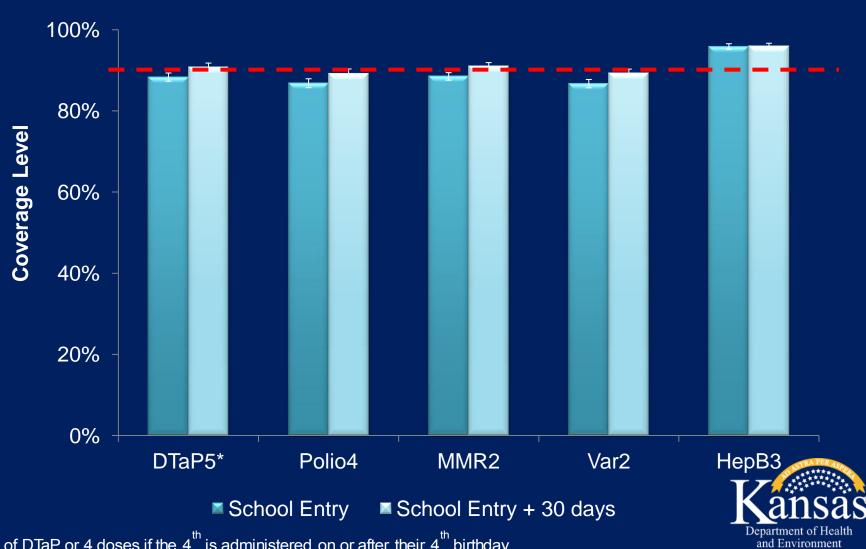
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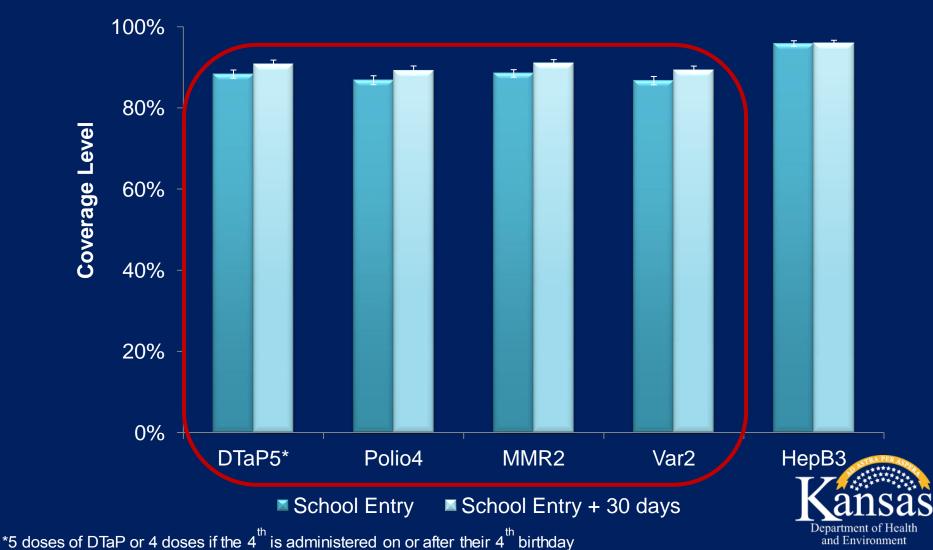
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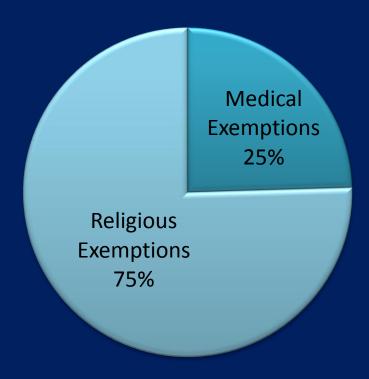


Kindergarten Immunization Coverage



Reported Exemptions

Total number of exemptions: 481 (1.4%)





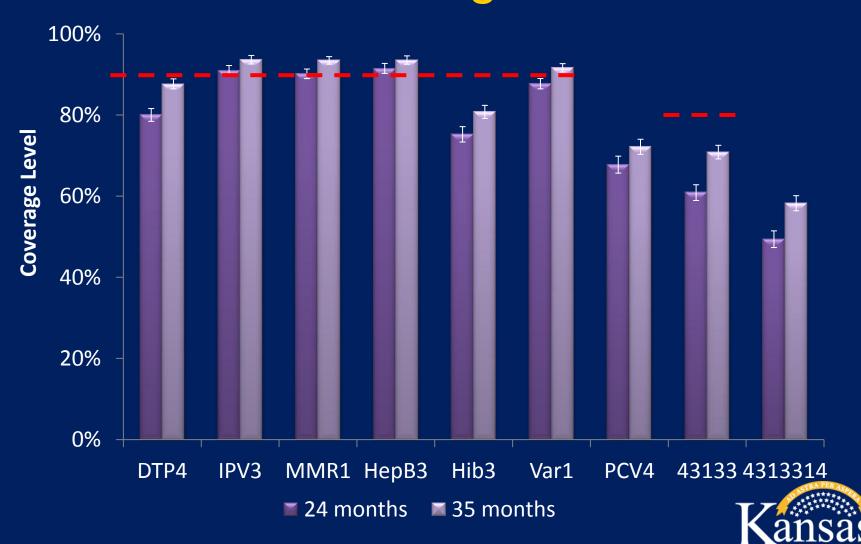
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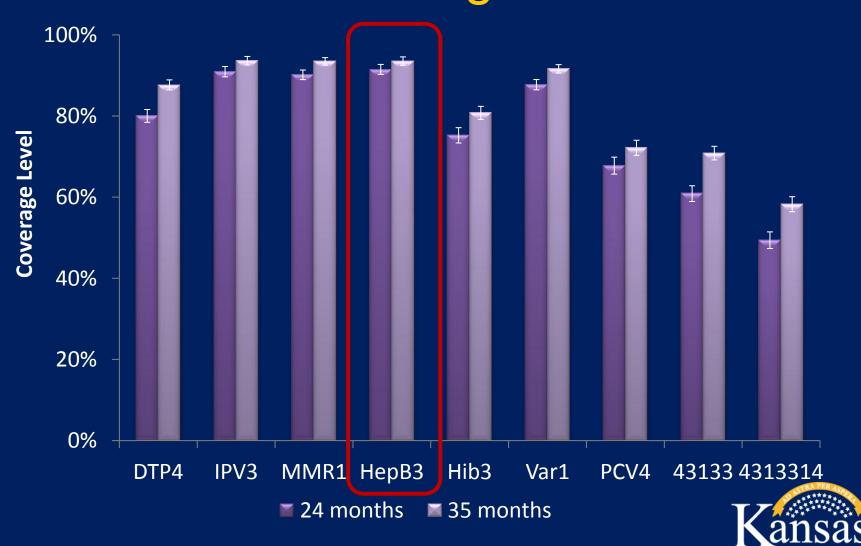
Retrospective Immunization Coverage



Retrospective Immunization Coverage



Retrospective Immunization Coverage



Study Limitations

- Immunizations not required for school may not be recorded on immunization document
- Lack of descriptive data
- KS-WebIZ data not always entered correctly



Kindergarten Study

- Immunization levels increase 30 days following school entry
- Most immunizations are below HP2020 goals at school entry
- Exemptions are approximately 1.4% of kindergarten population



Retrospective Study

- Three vaccinations (MMR1, HepB3, Polio3) meet HP2010 goals by children at 24 months
- By 35 months, varicella also meets HP2010 goal
- DTaP4 remains low
- PCV4 has lowest immunization coverage level



Questions?





Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program (PHBPP)





Chronic HBV

- Major cause of:
 - Cirrhosis of the liver
 - Primary hepatocellular carcinoma
- Development of chronic HBV is age dependent
- Primary develops into chronic infection
 - 5% of healthy older children and adults
 - 30% of children <5 years old
 - 90% of infants



Chronic HBV

- ~ 25% of infected infants will develop
 - Chronic liver disease
 - Cirrhosis
 - Hepatocellular carcinoma
- ~ 25% of infected infants die as young adults



Perinatal HBV

- Infection of infant after birth
- Risk of perinatal HBV infection among infants born to HBV+ mothers ranges from 10%-85%





Kansas Law Requires



- Physicians to test for HBV during each pregnancy (K.S.A. 65-153f)
- Laboratories to report positive results to the KDHE (K.S.R. 28-1-2)
- Births be registered with the KDHE Office of Vital Statistics within 5 days of birth (K.S.A. 65-2409a)
 - >95% registered electronically



PHBPP Coordinator

- Identifies all HBV positive lab reports from women ages 12-55
 - Pregnancy status is not on the lab reports
- Notifies county health departments through EpiTrax
 - Pregnant women go into the perinatal hepatitis B prevention program



Local Health Departments

- Establish pregnancy status
- Identify all relevant contacts
 - Test and HBV vaccine if not protected or infected
- Notify expected delivery hospital
- Follow infant through post-vaccination serologic testing
- Communicate findings to KDHE



PERINATAL HEPATITIS B PREVENTION PROGRAM MANUAL



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Resources for:

- Hospitals
- OB/GYNs
- Pediatricians
- Public Health



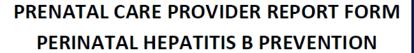


Report Forms

Disease Reporting for Health Professionals

http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/disease_reporting.html

- · Disease Reporting Requirements
- · Kansas Notifiable Diseases List and Reporting Forms
 - · Kansas Notifiable Diseases List and Reporting Form (.pdf)
 - Varicella Report Form (pdf)
 - o Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program Report Forms
 - Hospital Report Form (.pdf)
 - Prenatal Care Provider Report Form (.pdf)
 - Pediatric Care Provider Report Form (ndf)







HOSPITAL REPORT FORM PERINATAL HEPATITIS B PREVENTION

Follow-up of infants born to HBsAg positive mothers



PEDIATRIC CARE REPORT FORM
PERINATAL HEPATITIS B PREVENTION



Post-Vaccination Serologic Testing (PVST)

- Performed at 9-18 months of age (≥ 3 months after last dose)
 - Hepatitis B surface antigen
 - Anti-HBs
- Working to have PVST provided through the state laboratory for infants in PHBPP STAY TUNED

PEDIATRIC CARE REPORT FORM PERINATAL HEPATITIS B PREVENTION		
HEPATITIS VACCINATION HISTORY (Please provide date given):		
HBIG: Date: / / Time::	_	
HEP B DOSE 1: Date: / / Tim	e::	
HEP B DOSE 2:/ HEP B DOSE 3://		
PVS Testing: Date / / HE	BsAg: ☐ Positive	e □ Negative
An	iti-HBs: ☐ Positive	e □ Negative
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